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The Applicants submit this Second Disclosure Statement and completed Form PTO/SB/08A for their pending U.S. Patent Application.

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DISCLOSURE DOCUMENTS

- U.S. Patent No. 5 864 557 issued to Lyons discloses a transport stream encoder, which comprises a plurality of component signal sources.
- U.S. Patent No. 5 406 626 issued to Ryan discloses a radio receiver for information dissemination using sub-carrier.
- U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/004 2919 is a Pending Continuation-in-Part Patent Application filed by the Assignee of the Present Application, and has a filing date later than the Present Application.
- U.S. Patent No. 6 029 045 issued to Picco discloses a System and Method for Inserting Local Content Into Programming Content.
- U.S. Patent No. 6 366 761 issued to Montpetit discloses a Priority Based Bandwidth Allocation and Bandwidth-on-Demand in a Low-Earth-Orbit Satellite Data Communication Network.
- U.S. Patent No. 5 652 795 issued to Dillon discloses a Method and Apparatus for an Adapter Card Providing Conditional Access in a Communication System.

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PCT International Patent Application Publication No. WO 97/18651 owned by Hughes Aircraft Company discloses a method and apparatus for an adaptor card for use in a computer to provide conditional access by the computer to incoming data streams.

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CONCLUSION

A completed PTO/SB/08A accompanies this Second Disclosure Statement.

The Applicants submit that none of the documents described above disclose the Invention as claimed in the present Patent Application. The Applicants believe that no fee is required to submit this Second Disclosure Statement.

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